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## Public Act No. 07-29

## AN ACT CONCERNING THE INTERIM APPOINTMENT OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSIONERS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. Subsection (d) of section 31-276 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July* 1, 2007):

(d) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 4-19, no vacancy in the position of a compensation commissioner shall be filled by the Governor when the General Assembly is not in session unless, prior to such filling, the Governor submits the name of the proposed vacancy appointee to the committee on the judiciary. Within [ten] forty-five days, the committee on the judiciary may, upon the call of either chairman, hold a special meeting for the purpose of approving or disapproving such proposed vacancy appointee by majority vote. The Governor shall not administer the oath of office to such proposed vacancy appointee until the committee has approved such proposed vacancy appointee. If the committee determines that it cannot complete its investigation and act on such proposed vacancy appointee within such forty-five-day period, it may extend such period by an additional fifteen days. The committee shall notify the Governor in writing of any such extension. Failure of the committee to act on such

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proposed vacancy appointee within such [ten-day] <u>forty-five-day</u> period <u>or any fifteen-day extension period</u> shall be deemed to be an approval.

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